GUIDE FOR THE SIMULTANEOUS ROSARY

(for the Archbishop and Priests of the Designated Parishes) 13 May, 2020, 8:00 pm

1. THINGS TO PREPARE

a. Altar of the Patron of the Parish / Mission Station (the principal Marian image) with two lighted candles and flowers before the image. It is preferable that this will be set-up right before the main altar (altar table) of the parish church.

In the Pope Francis chapel, an image of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary is placed at the center. Right before this image is placed the mosaic icon of the *Salus Populi Romani* flanked to the right by the images of Our Lady of Fatima (Lindogon) and to the left by the image of Our Lady of Hope of Palo.

This will be the same set-up in the participating parishes:

- Image of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Marasbaras, Tacloban
- Image of Our Lady of the Assumption (Tanauan)
- Image of Our Lady of Refuge (Dulag)
- Image of the Immaculate Conception (Burauen)
- Image of Our Lady of Salvation (Limon, Capoocan)
- Image of Our Lady of Fatima (Cogon, Ormoc)
- Image Nuestra Señora de la Misericordia (Isabel)
- Image of Our Lady "Tota Pulchra" (Seminary)
- b. the vestments of the Archbishop
 - soutana with surplice
 - white or blue stole
 - skullcap/zuccheto
 - the ritual booklet / guide
 - boat and incense
 - rosary beads
- c. vestment of the Priest
 - cassock with surplice
 - white or blue stole
 - rosary beads

2. THE SIMULTANEOUS PRAYING WILL START AT EXACTLY 8:00 IN THE EVENING. THIS IS THE FLOW OF THE CELEBRATION:

a. GENERAL INTRODUCTION (c/o Fr. Chris Arthur Militante)

Brother and sisters, on this day, one hundred and three years ago, Our Blessed Mother appeared in Fatima, Portugal. She reminded us of our need to pray and to change our ways for God.

This morning the bishops of the Philippines once more consecrated our nation to her Immaculate Heart so that, under her maternal mantle, we will have the faith and confidence as we face this pandemic.

Tonight, as one people of God in the Archdiocese of Palo, we pray the Holy Rosary together with our Blessed Mother – before her images depicting her several titles to which we have turned to in our joys and sorrows, in our triumphs and difficulties, in practically everything we face throughout our journey in life.

At the Pope Francis chapel are enshrined three significant Marian icons: first, the icon in mosaic of Our Lady "Salus Populi Romani" (Protectress of the Roman people), a gift of Pope Francis upon his visit to the archdiocese of Palo, the image of Our Lady of Fatima (Our Lady of Lindogan), a gift of the community in Simala to the archdiocese after the devastating typhoon Yolanda, and the image of Our Lady of Hope of Palo, a composite image of Lady depicting the experience of our people confronted by the powerful storm Yolanda.

Tonight, in all our parishes where the images of Our Lady are enshrined in the altar, we highlight these historic and significant Marian images through the participation of the parishes where these images are found:

- Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Marasbaras, Tacloban
- Our Lady of the Assumption in Tanauan
- Our Lady of Refuge in Dulag
- Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception in Burauen
- Our Lady of Salvation in Limon, Capoocan
- Our Lady of Fatima in Cogon, Ormoc
- Nuestra Señora de la Misericordia in Isabel; and
- Our Lady "Tota Pulchra" of the St. John the Evangelist School of Theology.

Joined by our Blessed Mother, once again we meditate on the mysteries of Our Lord. In this time of pandemic, we pray to the Lord for strength, for healing, for reconciliation, for unity and peace, confident of the powerful intercession of a so loving Mother.

As we start, let us sing the Hymn to Our Lady of Fatima.

b. Hymn to Our Lady of Fatima – c/o Pope Francis Chapel

Dear Lady of Fatima, We come on bended knee To beg your intercession, For peace and unity.

Dear Mary, won't you show us The right and shining way? We pledge our love and offer you A rosary each day!

You promised at Fatima, Each time that you appear, To help us, if we pray to you, To banish war and fear. Dear lady, on first Saturdays, We ask your guiding hand, For grace and guidance here on earth, And protection for our land.

c. Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary (composed by Pope Francis) to be led by Archbishop John F. Du

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Amen.

We fly to your protection,
O Holy Mother of God;
Do not despise our petitions
in our necessities,
but deliver us always
from every danger,
O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

d. Introductory Prayers - c/o Fr. Francis Borja, St. Roch Chaplaincy

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from

the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

The Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary (3x)

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed are thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.

Holy Mary Mother of God,

pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death

Amen.

Glory be

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

e. The First Glorious Mystery – c/o Fr. Alvin Nicolasora, Pastor, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish, Marasbaras, Tacloban City (Vicariate of Tacloban)

Fr. Alvin: The First Glorious Mystery: The Resurrection

Fr. Alvin: We offer this mystery for our spiritual resurrection especially in this time of pandemic. May the Lord grant us the grace to overcome the struggles brought about by this trial.

Fr. Alvin will continue with the praying of the rosary.

- Our Father,
- 10 Hail Mary
- Glory
- Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell and lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy.
- f. The Second Glorious Mystery c/o Fr. Michael Canaleja, Pastor, Assumption of Our Lady Parish, Tanauan (Vicariate of Palo)

Fr. Michael: The Second Glorious Mystery is The Ascension

Fr. Michael: We offer this mystery for a great desire for heaven, for perseverance of the just, and for the souls of those who perished because of the pandemic. May the Lord God welcome them to His Kingdom and May the Immaculate Heart of Mary be the refuge and consolation of their loved ones.

Fr. Michael will continue praying the Rosary.

- Our Father,
- 10 Hail Mary
- Glory
- Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell and lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy.
- g. The Third Glorious Mystery c/o Fr. Rodolfo Barro, Nativity of Our Lady of Refuge Parish, Dulag (Vicariate of Abuyog)

Fr. Opong: The Third Glorious Mystery is The Descent of the Holy Spirit

Fr. Opong: We offer this mystery for the descent of the Holy Spirit into our souls. May we who have received the Holy Spirit in the sacraments, especially in Baptism and Confirmation live according to the stirrings of the same Spirit, so that filled with his gifts, we may grow in holiness and reach out to our brothers and sisters who are in most need in this time of crisis.

Fr. Opong will continue with the praying of the rosary.

- Our Father
- 10 Hail Mary
- Glory
- Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell and lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy.
- h. The Fourth Glorious Mystery c/o Fr. Ambrosio Avelino Jr. Pastor, Immaculate Concepcion Parish, Burauen (Vicariate of Burauen)

Fr. Butch: The Fourth Glorious Mystery is The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fr. Butch: We offer this mystery for the grace of a happy death, a tender devotion for so loving a Mother, the perfect and great love of God, and a high degree of glory in heaven for the greatest honor of God. That amidst the threat of death in isolation of the COVID victims, we may find consolation in the thought that God is with us and the company of saints awaits us in heaven.

Fr. Butch will continue with the praying of the rosary.

- Our Father
- 10 Hail Mary
- Glory
- Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell and lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy.

i. The Fifth Glorious Mystery – c/o Fr. Felix Ebacitas, Pastor, Our Lady of Salvation Mission Station, Limon, Capoocan (Vicariate of Carigara)

Fr. Felix: The Fifth Glorious mystery is The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Fr. Felix: We offer this mystery for perseverance in grace, a crown of glory in heaven, for peace in our country and in the whole world, and for the end of the pandemic of coronavirus. May the Blessed Virgin Mary remain our Queen and Mother in our daily strivings to follow the will of the Father even during hard times and trying moments.

Fr. Felix will continue with the praying of the rosary.

- Our Father
- 10 Hail Mary
- Glory
- Fatima Prayer: O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell and lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy.
- j. The Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary c/o Fr. Carlos Rodriguez Jr. Pastor, Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Cogon, Ormoc City (Vicariate of Ormoc)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us. Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us. Christ, raciously hear us.
God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.
God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, pray for us.
Holy Mother of God, pray for us.
Holy Virgin of virgins, pray for us.
Mother of Christ, pray for us.
Mother of the Church, pray for us.
Mother of divine grace, pray for us.
Mother most pure, pray for us.
Mother inviolate, pray for us.
Mother inviolate, pray for us.
Mother undefiled, pray for us.
Mother most amiable, pray for us.
Mother most admirable, pray for us.
Mother of good counsel, pray for us.
Mother of our Creator, pray for us.
Mother of our Savior, pray for us.

Virgin most prudent, pray for us. Virgin most venerable, pray for us. Virgin most renowned, pray for us. Virgin most powerful, pray for us. Virgin most merciful, pray for us. Virgin most faithful, pray for us.

Mirror of justice, pray for us. Seat of wisdom, pray for us. Cause of our joy, pray for us. Spiritual vessel, pray for us. Vessel of honor, pray for us. Singular vessel of devotion, pray for us. Mystical rose, pray for us. Tower of David, pray for us. Tower of ivory, pray for us. House of gold, pray for us. Ark of the covenant, pray for us. Gate of heaven, pray for us. Morning star, pray for us. Star of evangelization, pray for us. Health of the sick, pray for us. Refuge of sinners, pray for us. Comforter of the afflicted, pray for us. Help of Christians, pray for us. Queen of Angels, pray for us.

Queen of Patriarchs, pray for us.

Queen of Prophets, pray for us.

Queen of Apostles, pray for us.

Queen of Martyrs, pray for us.

Queen of Confessors, pray for us.

Queen of Virgins, pray for us.

Queen of all Saints, pray for us.

Queen conceived without original sin, pray for us.

Queen assumed into heaven, pray for us.

Queen of the most holy Rosary, pray for us.

Queen of the family, pray for us.

Queen of Peace, pray for us.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord!. Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. Grant, we beg you, O Lord God that we your servants, may enjoy lasting health of mind and body, and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, be delivered from present sorrow and enter into the joy of eternal happiness. Through Christ our Lord. *R*. Amen.

k. ORATIO IMPERATA – c/o Fr. Reynaldo Jostol, Pastor, Nuestra Señora de la Misericordia Shrine, Holy Child Parish, Isabel (Vicariate of Palompon)

God our Father, we come to you in our need to ask your protection against the COVID 19 that has disturbed and even claimed lives.

We pray that you guide the people tasked to find cures for this disease and to stem its transmission. Protect the medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion.

We pray for those afflicted.

May they be restored to health soon.

Protect those who care for them.

Grant eternal rest to those who have died.

Give us the grace in this trying time to work for the good of all and to help those in need. We implore you to stop the spread of this virus and to save us from our fears.

Grant all these through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

We fly to Your protection, oh Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petition in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, Oh glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for us.

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.

St. Rock, pray for us.

St. Lorenzo Ruiz, pray for us

St. Pedro Calungsod, pray for us.

1. Pope Francis' Prayer to the Blessed Mother – c/o Fr. Virgilio Manaog, Rector, St. John the Evangelist School of Theology, Palo (Seminary-Chancery)

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God".

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

3. Singing of the SALVE REGINA (traditional tune) – to be led by Fr. Borja joined by the staff of Gonzagahaus. While singing, the Archbishop will incense the Marian images enshrined in the Pope Francis Chapel.

Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevæ, Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

4. FINAL PRAYER: Prayer to Our Lady of Hope of Palo – to be led by Archbishop John F. Du.

We cry unto you,
O holy Mother of God, our Lady of hope
full of confidence, both in times of joy and triumph
and of desolation and fear.
Show unto us the fruit of your womb, Jesus:
 our light in the midst of darkness,
 our strength in times of weakness,
 our cure in times of sickness,
 our hope in times of defeat,
Teach us to gaze upon the eyes of your Son
to embrace him and to bear his cross.
O Mary, our mother, mercifully listen to our prayers
and lead us always to the one Hope,
Jesus, your beloved Son, Our Lord.
Amen.

5. FINAL BLESSING by the Archbishop

Archbishop: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Archbishop: May Almighty God bless you, the Father, and + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Background music may follow.